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SUBJ: OUTER SPACE LEGAL SUBCOMMITTEE OPENS IN
COOPERATIVE SPIRIT

1. IN PREVAILING SPIRIT OF COOPERATION AT MARCH 26 PM OPENING MEETING, LEGAL SUBCOMITE DECIDED COMMENCE GENERAL DEBATE, WHICH AGENDA ITEM IS TO REMAIN OPEN ENDED WHILE TREATY ON THE MOON (TOM) AND REGISTRATION TREATY-- AGENDA ITEMS OF EQUAL PARITY-- WILL BE DISCUSSED FOR FOUR SUCCESSIVE DAYS EACH BEGINNING WITH TOM. AT END OF THIS EIGHT DAY PERIOD, LSC WILL DECIDE ORGANIZATION OF WORK FOR REMAINDER OF SESSION.

2. DURING GENERAL DEBATE USSR PIRADOV IN A LOW-KEYED PRESENTATION RECOMMENDED THAT REMAINING UNSOLVED ISSUES IN TOM BE DEALT WITH " AS A PACKAGE" WITH THE RESOLUTION OF ONE ISSUE DEPENDENT UPON THAT OF THE OTHERS. ADVERTING TO THIS POINT, CANADA SUGGESTED THAT THE " PACKAGE" CONCEPT BE BROADENED TO INCLUDE CONCLUSION OF A REGISTRATION TREATY. BRAZIL, WITH CANADA CONCURRING, ASKED FOR ASSURANCE THAT LESSER PRIORITY LSC AGENDA ITEMS (I. E. , DIRECT BROADCAST SATELLITES AND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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REMOTE SENSING) WOULD BE ALLOCATED TIME FOR DISCUSSION. CHAIR SUGGESTED THAT DELEGATIONS COULD STATE VIEWS ON

THESE TOPICS IN GENERAL DEBATE.

3. U. S. (REIS), IN BRIEF INTERVENTION, AS ONE OF
DEPOSITORIES OF OUTER SPACE TREATIES, GAVE STATUS REPORT ON
THEIR SIGNATURE AND RETIFICATION. US BELIEVED LSC
COULD SET GOAL AT THIS SESSION OF COMPLETING WORK ON
BOTH REGISTRATION AND TOM. IN LATTER CONNECTION US
VIEW IN ACCORD WITH MANY OTHERS WAS THAT SCOPE OF TOM
SHOULD BE EXPANDED TO INCLUDE THE MOON, PLANETS, AND
ALL OTHER CELESTIAL BODIES WITHIN THE SOLAR SYSTEM.
US RESERVED ITS PRESENTATION IN THE GENERAL DEBATE FOR
MORNING OF MARCH 27 DURING WHICH US DRAFT REGISTRA-
TION TREATY WILL BE INDRODUCED.
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